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SUBJ: PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA SPEAKS ON POPULATION PROBLEM

1. "EL NACIONAL" OF NOV 18 CARRIED FOLLOWING HEADLINE:
"POPULATION GROWTH IS THE GREAT CHALLENGE THAT MEXICO
MUST FACE WITH DETERMINATION: ECHEVERRIA." THE PRESIDENT
WAS THUS QUOTED DURING A SPEECH IN AGUASCALIENTES, NOV 17,
IN WHICH HE WENT ON TO SAY MEXICO WOULD HAVE A POPULATION
OF 80 MILLION WHEN LOPEZ PORTILLO LEAVE OFFICE, AND 100
MILLION AFTER FOLLOWING 6 YEARS. THIS, HE SAID, IS ONE OF
MEXICO'S GRAVEST PROBLEMS, WHICH WOULD REQUIRE A TREMENDOUS
EFFORT BY THE WHOLE COUNTRY TO OVERCOME.

2. THIS IS AN ENCOURAGING SIGN THAT GOM MAY BE MAKING A
MORE CONCERTED EFFORT TO CONTROL POPULATION GROWTH.
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